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OTS Grants Encourage Markets

The Ontario Tire Stewardship (OTS) launched two Grant programs to support the growth of the Ontario-made tire derived product (TDP) market.

The first is a Community Grant program which offers grants of up to \$50,000 for the purchase of Ontario-made products containing recycled tire rubber. From sidewalks to patios, roof shingles to playgrounds, organizations have a growing selection of better performing, longer lasting products made from recycled tire rubber.

"The OTS Community Grants will help them make this choice," OTS Executive Director Andrew Horsman said. Secondly, OTS has introduced a Rubberized Asphalt Grant program. Rubberized asphalt roads last longer, use less non-renewable resources and are safer for drivers. Eligible organizations can receive up to \$25,000 for projects using rubberized asphalt through this new initiative. ◆

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Exports, TDF Set New Trend in California Scrap Tire Market

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California diverted more of its waste tires in 2010 than in any previous year, according to the 2010 California Tire Market Report issued last month by the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle). The state reached an all time high 81 percent waste tire diversion rate, while at the same land filling the smallest percentage of tires since statistics have been kept, the report said. These are milestones for sure, but, as the report points out "nearly all of this net increase was a result of continued, unprecedented rapid growth in the export of baled and processed waste tires to Pacific Rim nations, largely for use as tire derived fuel (tdf)".

As in previous years domestic tire-derived fuel also played a major role in the California waste tire market in 2010.

Taken together, exports and tire-derived fuel dominated California's scrap tire market in 2010. In fact, if waste tire exports and domestic tire-derived fuel were excluded the overall California waste tire diversion rate would be only 45.2 percent, the report said.

This is not good news for the state's scrap tire recyclers. In southern California tipping fees have fallen to new lows and processors are scrambling for tires, California scrap tire market analyst Denise Kennedy, President, DK Enterprises said. According to Kennedy and others, haulers are paying as low as \$20 a ton to deliver tires to ports in and around Los Angeles where they are baled and sent overseas--primarily

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Lawmakers Introduce Bill To Delay EPA Boiler Air Rules

Inside EPA is reporting that a bipartisan group of senators introduced a bill July 20 to delay the enactment and compliance deadlines for EPA's controversial air rules for boilers and incinerators, while at the same time clarifying that biomass, tire-derived fuel and other materials would not be subject to strict incinerator emissions requirements.

According to *Inside EPA's* news service, Sens. Susan Collins (R-ME), Ron Wyden (D-OR) and others introduced a bill that would delay EPA's final rules setting maximum achievable control technology (MACT) standards to cut boilers' air toxics as well as a new source performance standard (NSPS) to cut emissions from commercial and industrial solid waste incineration (CISWI) units and a waste definition rule that determines to which of the air rules combustion units are subject.

The bill would delay implementation of EPA's boiler MACT, CISWI and solid waste rules by 15 months after the bill is enacted, providing EPA additional time to push

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